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SUBJ: OFFICIAL PROGRAM FOR SPECIAL MISSIONS TO THE INAUGURATION OF THE NEW COLOMBIAN PRESIDENT

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1. THE EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED ANOTHER DOCUMENT FROM THE FOREIGN MINISTRY GIVING A MORE DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE OFFICIAL PROGRAM FOR THE INAUGURAL CEREMONIES. AN INFORMAL TRANSLATION OF THAT DOCUMENT FOLLOWS:

BEGIN QUOTE:

A. SUNDAY, AUGUST 6 - 10:30 A.M.:

VISIT OF THE SPECIAL MISSIONS TO THE FOREIGN MINISTER IN THE NARINO PALACE:

THE SPECIAL MISSIONS SHOULD ARRANGE THEMSELVES IN THE GALLERY IN ORDER OF PRECEDENCE. ONCE THERE, EACH MISSION WILL PASS SEPARATELY TO THE "YELLOW HALL" WHERE THEY WILL BE RECEIED BY THE FOREIGN MINISTER WHO WILL BE ACCOMPANIED BY THE SECRETARY GENERAL. THE CHIEF OF THE SPECIAL MISSION WILL PRESENT CREDENTIALS TO THE MINISTER, AND INTRODUCE THE MEMBERS OF HIS MISSION AND PROCEED IMMEDIATELY THEREAFTER TO THE RECEPTION HALL. CONCLUDING THE PRESENTATIONS, THE MINISTER WILL OFFER A CUP OF CHAMPAGNE. THE UNCLASSIFIED

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DRESS FOR THIS OCCASION IS DARK STREET CLOTHERS.

B. SUNDAY, AUGUST 6 - 4:00 P.M.:

PRESENTATION OF CREDENTIALS TO DR. ALFONSO LOPEZ-MICHELSEN, PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC IN THE SAN CARLOSE PALACE:

THE MEMBERS OF THE SPECIAL MISSIONS WILL CONGREGATE IN THE HALLS OF THE SAN CARLOS PALACE. EACH MISSION WILL PROCEED SEPARATELY TO THE "CREDENTIALS HALL" WHERE THEY WILL FIND THE PRESIDENT, THE FOREIGN MINISTER, THE SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE PRESIDENCY AND THE SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE FOREIGN MINISTRY. THE CHIEF OF THE SPECIAL MISSION WILL PRESENT HIS CREDENTIALS TO THE PRESIDENT, SPEAK A FEW WORDS AND THEREAFTER GREET THE FOREIGN MINISTER AND THE SECRETARIES OF THE PRESIDENCY AND THE FOREIGN MINISTRY AND IMMEDIATELY THEREAFTER INTRODUCE THE MEMBERS OF HIS MISSION WHO IN TURN WILL GREET ONLY THE PRESIDENT. AFTER THAT THE CHIEF AND OTHER MEMBERS OF THE MISSION WILL BOW AND RETIRE FROM THE HALL. EACH MISSION WILL BE ACCOMPANIED BY THE DIRECTOR GENERAL OF PROTOCOL AND THE CHIEF OF THE MILITARY HOUSEHOLD. DRESS FOR THIS OCCASION IS DARK STREET CLOTHES. (THE SPECIAL MISSION SHOULD ARRIVE PRIOR TO 3:45 P.M. THE ENTRANCE WILL BE ON TENTH STREET.)

C. MONDAY, AUGUST 7 - 3:00 P.M.:

INSTALLATION OF JULIO CESAR TURBAY AYALA AS PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC IN THE ELLIPTICAL HALL OF THE NATIONAL CAPITOL:

THE CENTRAL PART OF THE ELLIPTICAL HALL IS EXCLUSIVELY RESERVED FOR THE SPECIAL MISSIONS, EX-PRESIDENTS OF THE REPUBLIC, MINISTERS OF STATE, SENATORS AND REPRESENTATIVES, AND THE MILITARY CHIEFS OF STAFF. THE SPECIAL MISSIONS WILL HAVE ACCESS TO THE BOLIVAR SQUARE BY EIGHTH AVENUE AND WILL LEAVE THEIR VEHICLES UNCLASSIFIED

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AT THE CORNER OF TENTH STREET. THEY WILL ENTER THE ELLIPTICAL HALL OF THE CAPITOL BY THE DOOR ON THE WEST SIDE OF THE MOSQUERA PATIO (DOOR A). THE SPECIAL MISSIONS SHOULD ARRIVE PRIOR TO 2:45 P.. THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC AND THE PRESIDENT-ELECT WILL ENTER THE ELLIPTICAL HALL BY THE MAIN DOOR OF THE NUNEZ PATIO. AT THE CLOSE OF THE TRANSMISSION CEREMONY AND ONCE THE HIGH DIGNITARIES HAVE DEPARTED BY THE EAST DOOR (DOOR B) THE SPECIAL MISSIONS WILL LEAVE THE CENTRAL HALL OF THE CAPITOL BY THE MAIN DOOR OF THE NUNEZ PATIO WHERE THEY WILL HAVE ACCESS TO THEIR VEHICLES. DRESS FOR THIS OCCASION IS MORNING COAT OR UNIFORM, DARK STREET CLOTHES FOR LADIES.

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D. TUESDAY, AUGUST 8 - 10:30 A.M.:

OFFICIAL GREETING OF THE SPECIAL MISSIONS TO DR. JULIO CESAR TURBAY AYALA, PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC, AT THE SAN CARLOS PALACE:

THE SPECIAL MISSIONS WILL ARRANGE THEMSELVES IN ORDER OF PRECEDENCE IN A SEMI-CIRCLE IN THE RECEPTION HALLS OF THE SAN CARLOS PALACE. IMMEDIATELY THEREAFTER THE PRESIDENT WILL ENTER ACCOMPANIED BY THE MEMBERS OF HIS CABINET, THE SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE PRESIDENCY, AND THE SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE FOREIGN MINISTRY. THE DEAN OF THE SPECIAL MISSIONS WILL DELIVER A SPEECH OF GREETINGS TO THE CHIEF OF STATE WHO IN TURN WILL REPLY. THEREAFTER, THE SPECIAL MISSIONS WILL BE PRESENTED BY THE DIRECTOR GENERAL OF PROTOCOL TO THE PRESIDENT AND WILL SUBSEQUENTLY GREET THE MEMBERS OF THE CABINET AND THE SECRETARIES GENERAL OF THE PRESIDENCY AND THE FOREIGN MINISTRY. IMMEDIATELY THEREAFTER THERE WILL BE A CUP OF CHAMPAGNE. DRESS FOR THIS OCCASION IS MORNING COAT OR UNIFORM (DARK STREET CLOTHES FOR LADIES). (ONLY THE CHIEFS OF THE SPECIAL MISSIONS WILL SAY GOODBYE TO THE PRESIDENT.) THE ENTRANCE IS FROM TENTH STREET.

E. TUESDAY, AUGUST 8 - 7:00 P.M.:

RECEPTION OFFERED BY THE PRESIDENT AND MRS. TURBAY AYALA IN HONOR OF THE SPECIAL MISSIONS:
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THE PRESIDENT AND MRS. TURBAY AYALA WILL OFFER A RECEPTION IN HONOR OF THE SPECIAL MISSIONS IN THE SAN CARLOS PALACE. DRESS FOR MEN IS A DARK BUSINESS SUIT; FOR WOMEN, THREE-QUARTER LENGTH COCKTAIL DRESS. ENTRANCE IS FROM SIXTH AVENUE, DEPARTURE BY TENTH STREET.

F. WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 9 - 12:30 P.M.:

INFORMAL LUNCH OFFERED BY THE FOREIGN MINISTER IN HONOR OF THE

SPECIAL MISSIONS:

THE FOREIGN MINISTER WILL OFFER AN INFORMAL LUNCH IN HONOR OF THE SPECIAL MISSIONS IN THE "LOS LAGARTOS CLUB." WIVES ARE INVITED AS WELL. DRESS FOR THIS OCCASION IS CASUAL SPORT CLOTHES. END QUOTE

2. EMBASSY COMMENT: THE DEPARTMENT'S ATTENTION IS CALLED TO PARA 1.B IN WHICH THE CHIEF OF THE SPECIAL MISSION SHOULD BE PREPARED TO SAY A FEW WORDS TO PRESIDENT WHEN PRESENTING HIS CREDENTIALS.

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